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SUBJ: SANTA BARBARA CHANNEL LEASES

1. ASSISTANT UNDERSECRETARY MINISTRY FINANCE AND OIL, SHAIKH ALI KHALIFA AL-SABAH TELEPHONED EMBOFF SEPT 4 AND ASKED FOR INFO RE CONGRESSIONAL ACTION REGARDING OIL LEASES IN SANTA BARBARA CHANNEL. HE CITED GULF OIL COMPANY ANNUAL REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS, PAGE 6, WHERE, HE SAID, IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE USG INTENDED TO ASK FOR CONGRESSIONAL AUTHORITY TO BUY BACK THESE LEASES.

2. ALI KHALIFA, WHOSE RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE ECONOMIC AND LEGAL AFFAIRS IN THE MFO, SAID THAT GOK WANTED TO KNOW MORE ABOUT DEVELOPMENT BECAUSE AS FAR AS HE KNEW THIS REPRESENTED FIRST TIME USG BOUGHT BACK OIL LEASES. HE ADDED THAT HE KNEW THAT PRESSURES FROM ENVIRONMENTALISTS WERE PART OF OVERALL SANTA BARBARA CHANNEL OIL LEASES QUESTION. EMBOFF PROMISED OBTAIN WHATEVER INFO HE COULD.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: ALI KHALIFA HAS BEEN USEFUL CONTACT WITHIN MFO AND HE IS THOUGHT TO BE SLATED FOR INCREASING RESPONSIBILITIES, PARTICULARLY SINCE HE MEMBER ROYAL FAMILY. THEREFORE, WE WOULD LIKE TO BE AS FORTHCOMING AS POSSIBLE IN PROVIDING HIM WITH BACKGROUND INFO. SINCE HE HAS TO LEAVE TOWN SEPT 9 WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING WHATEVER INFO DEPARTMENT CAN PROVIDE ASAP.
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